

of her high school graduation or equivalent, and be available to her before the girl's current membership expires;

- meets applicable membership standards.

Applicable Membership Standards

Membership standards are not credentials. They are included here only for ready reference in relation to membership requirements. Applicable membership standards are as follows:

Current Girl Scout Membership Levels

Daisy Girl Scout age 5-6 OR
in kindergarten-grade 1

Brownie Girl Scout age 6-7-8 OR
grade 1-2-3

Junior Girl Scout age 8-9-10-11 OR
grade 3-4-5-6

Cadette Girl Scout age 11-12-13-14 OR
grade 6-7-8-9

Senior Girl Scout age 14-15-16-17 OR
grade 9-10-11-12

Girl Scout Membership Levels

Effective October 1, 2008⁷

kindergarten-1 Girl Scout Daisy
grade 2-3 Girl Scout Brownie
grade 4-5 Girl Scout Junior
grade 6-8 Girl Scout Cadette
grade 9-10 Girl Scout Senior
grade 11-12 Girl Scout Ambassador

Girl Scout Adults

Minimum age—18 years of age or a high school graduate or equivalent.

Membership Dues and Procedures for Registration

In order to be a member of the Girl Scout Movement in the United States of America, a person must register with and pay annual or lifetime membership dues to Girl Scouts of the United States of America. This is done locally through the Girl Scout council or USA Girl Scouts Overseas committee with which she or he is affiliated or through national headquarters if she or he has no council affiliation. Girl Scout councils account for membership dues in the custodian fund and transmit to GSUSA within the calendar

⁷ Changes approved by National Board of Directors in August 2006

month all monies received for membership dues. These funds are not to be invested by the council for the purpose of generating income for the council.

The Girl Scout membership year is October 1 through September 30.

New members of Girl Scout troops/groups, both girls and adults, pay \$10 when they initially become members of the Movement.

Continuing members of Girl Scout troops/groups, both girls and adults, pay \$10 when they renew their membership at the beginning of each membership year.

Nontroop-affiliated girl and adult members on both local council and national levels also pay \$10 dues each membership year.

Lifetime members pay 25 times the annual membership dues at the time they become lifetime members.

When a member transfers from one troop/group or position to another or to another local council, the member does not re-register until her/his current membership expires at the beginning of the next membership year.

The national organization determines the system and method for registering members through Girl Scout councils. Each Girl Scout council verifies the accuracy of the troop/group and/or individual member information and forwards it with the membership dues directly to national headquarters.

National Board members, National Board standing committee members, other national volunteers, and other adult members who have their contact only with the national organization use registration forms received from the national organization. They forward the completed registration forms and dues directly to national headquarters.

USA Girl Scouts Overseas use registration forms received from the national organization. They also forward the completed registration forms and dues directly to national headquarters.

The membership dues of one person may not be transferred to the credit of another person. Membership dues are not refundable.

